

Amendment to the Claims

1. (Currently Amended) A tablet cassette for containing a number of tablets, the tablet

cassette ~~incorporating~~ comprising:

_____ a rotor having a plurality of pocket portions for holding the tablets so that, when the tablet cassette is mounted on a mount base, rotation of the rotor ~~causes~~ causing the tablets held in the pocket portions to be discharged through a discharge port; ~~characterized in that the tablet cassette~~ comprises:

a press member which can be pressed when the tablet cassette is held by a user to permit the tablet cassette to be mounted on the mount base; and

a rotor reversing member for reversing the rotor by a predetermined quantity in conjunction with the pressing ~~press~~ of the press member.

2. (Currently Amended) The tablet cassette as in Claim 1, wherein the press member is a press lever that is rotatably provided on the tablet cassette.

3. (Currently Amended) The tablet cassette as in Claim 2, wherein the press member is rotatably supported by a support shaft and comprises a resilient piece extending from the support shaft to the opposite side relative to the press lever, and the resilient piece comprises an engagement claw for engaging with and disengaging from an engaged portion of a guide rail provided on the mount base.

4. (Currently Amended) The tablet cassette as in claim 1, wherein the press member comprises a pair of members which ~~is~~can be pressed at the same time when the tablet cassette is held.

5. (Currently Amended) The tablet cassette as in Claim 4, wherein the rotor reversing member is provided on any one of the pair of press~~member~~ members.

6. (Previously Presented) The tablet cassette as in claim 1, further comprising a biasing member for biasing the press member in a non-pressing direction.

7. (Previously Presented) The tablet cassette as in claim 1, wherein the rotor reversing member is an arm extending from the press member, the extremity of the arm is obliquely opposed to teeth of a rotor gear fixed on a shaft of the rotor which protrudes from the bottom of the tablet cassette.

8. (Currently Amended) The tablet cassette as in Claim 7, ~~wherein~~ further comprising a contact member ~~is provided in the vicinity of the rotor gear,~~ wherein the position of the contact member is adjustable so that the distance to the rotor gear can be adjusted, and wherein a portion of the arm close to the extremity of the arm comes into contact with the contact member so that the extremity of the arm can enter into a space between the contact member and the rotor gear when the press member is pressed.

9. (Original) The tablet cassette as in Claim 8, wherein a flexible portion is provided in at least one part of the arm.

10. (Currently Amended) The tablet cassette as in claim 7, further comprising a rotation restraint gear which moves in response to pressing~~in conjunction with press~~ of the press member and engages with the rotor gear to restrain the rotor gear from rotating at a torque less than a predetermined level.

11. (Currently Amended) The tablet cassette as in Claim 10, wherein the rotation restraint gear is movable in a ~~tangent~~ tangential direction of the rotor gear.